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In re the Application of:

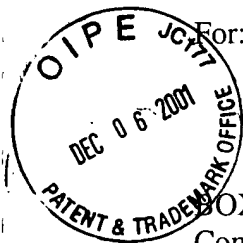
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 19, 2001 and prior to the calculation of claim fees due, please amend the instant application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please replace the section "Cross Reference to Related Applications" in its entirety with the following:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

A This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority from the prior Australian Patent Application Nos. PQ9292, filed August 9, 2000, and PR0455, filed September 29, 2000, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 49 and insert new claims 59 and 60 as follows:

49 (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 35, wherein said second algorithm computes:

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$$z_n = k_a \cdot x_n + k_b \cdot y_n + k_c \cdot R_n + k_d \cdot G_n + k_e \cdot B_n + k_f \cdot T$$

where:

n is the nth pixel in the image